

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING



June 5, 2007 REVISED

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael Flanagan, Chair

SUBJECT: Approval of Criteria for the 2007-2008 Title II, Part D Enhancing Education

Through Technology (EETT) Competitive Grants

The State of Michigan anticipates receiving \$9,371,961 for 2008 Title II, Part D, Enhancing Education Through Technology (EETT) funds for distribution as formula and competitive grants. Four of these categories have already been approved by the State Board of Education. Attached is the fifth category, Educational Technology Capacity Building.

The primary goal of the EETT funds is to improve student academic achievement through the use of technology in schools. Grants will be awarded to expand e-learning, increase professional development opportunities for teachers in technology integration, continue to advance the career awareness of students through technology, and support the attainment of the high school graduation requirements with technology. All of the above grants will seek to integrate the concepts of Universal Design for Learning throughout the grant activities.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the criteria for the 2007-2008 Enhancing Education Through Technology competitive grant programs as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum, dated June 5, 2007.

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Criteria for Educational Technology Capacity Building

The State Board of Education has adopted as its Strategic Goal "Attain substantial and meaningful improvement in academic achievement for all students/children with primary emphasis on high priority schools and students."

To the extent possible, all grant criteria and grant awards will serve to further attain the above goal.

PRIORITIES, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS THAT THESE CRITERIA SUPPORT

Priority is given in this new grant category for fostering leadership development for education technology among Michigan's administrators and teachers. Funding will be available for creating an administrator professional learning community using current research based resources that feature new technologies. Collaborative relationships with teacher training and technology leadership organizations will also be supported in developing technology 'champions' that will be building based and foster increased integration of technology into curriculum, instruction, and assessment.

BACKGROUND/PURPOSE OF GRANT											
X	Competitive		Formula	X	New	☐ Continuation	(c	heck al	ll that apply)	
The State of Michigan receives funding under Title II, Part D, Enhancing Education Through Technology (EETT) funds for distribution as formula and competitive grants. The primary goal of the EETT grant is to improve student academic achievement through the use of technology in schools. There are four categories already approved by the SBE, and this new criteria adds a fifth category. This grant will enhance leadership among teachers and administrators in the area of technology integration for improving student achievement.											
CRITERIA											
Date criteria were last approvedN/A											
X	Defined in Legis	slati			•	artment's Approve on to the Funder	ed	X	Proposed b	y Staff	
	Statewide, cost effective networking for delivering administrator professional										

Statewide, cost effective networking for delivering administrator professional development

Effective use of technology in schools based on current research and collaboration with technology and educational organizations

Capacity building initiatives that focus on teacher training for technology leadership at the building level

Increased participation in technology leadership opportunities that focus on building expertise among school district staff

All of the above grants will seek to integrate the concepts of Universal Design for Learning throughout the grant activities

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS/TARGET POPULATION TO BE SERVED BY GRANT

Local Education Agencies and Intermediate School Districts

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE

Approximately \$800,000 in funding are available for Category V.

LEGISLATION

On January 8, 2002, President Bush signed into law the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). A component of the NCLB legislation established the Enhancing Education Through Technology (Ed Tech) program, Title II, Part D.

OFFICE ADMINISTERING GRANT/PROGRAM CONTACT

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